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SUBJ: VISIT OF NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION GROUP

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1. MISSION HAS READ REFTELS WITH MUCH INTEREST AND SOME PUZZLEMENT. STATEMENTS OF CHILEAN AEC AND FONOFF OFFICIALS THAT GOVERNMENTS MUST SIGN NPT IN ORDER OBTAIN US ASSISTANCE (PARA 5 REF B) AND ASSERTION THAT USG HAS THUS FAR REFUSED COOPERATION (PARA 2 REF B) ARE, AS DEPT AWARE, NOT TRUE AND APPEAR TO REFLECT CONFUSION ON PART OF CHILEAN AUTHORITIES BETWEEN PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT USG HAS ANNOUNCED IT WILL EXTEND TO NPT PARTIES IN SNM AND IGFTS-IN-KIND DONATIONS THROUGH IAEA, AND OTHER NOMRAL MANNER IN WHICH ANY STATE ACQUIRES NUCLEAR MATERIAL OR EQUIPMENT FROM US, I.E., WITH A BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BACKED UP BY APPROPRIATE IAEA SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENTS.

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2. UNDER A 1969 US/CHILE/IAEA SUPPLY AGREEMENT, CHILE HAS RECEIVED AS GIFT FROM USG (THROUGH IAEA) SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL WITH VALUE OF \$56,932, AND NOW HAS UNDER LEASE AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF SNM VALUED AT \$61,757 WHICH, WITH TERMINATION OF AEC LEASES, MUST BE PURCHASED OR RETURNED.

3. CHILEAN CLAIM THAT RATIFICATION OF TREATY OF TLATELOLCO (WHICH RATIFICATION CONTINGENT UPON RATIFICATION BY OTHER PARTIES AND THEREFORE WITHOUT PRACTICAL EFFECT AT PRESENT) IS EQUIVALENT TO RATIFICATION OF NPT IS A FAMILIAR ONE AND ONE WHICH MISSION RECOMMENDS BE ADDRESSED IN WASHINGTON. SIMILAR CLAIM WAS MADE BY OPANAL SEC GEN IN PAPER PRESENTED TO NPT PREPCOM IN AUGUST, ASSERTING THAT ALL BENEFITS OF NPT SHOULD BE AVAILABLE TO PARTIES OF REGIONAL NON-PROLIFERATION ORGANIZATION EVEN THOUGH NOT PARTIES TO NPT.

4. IN ONE RESPECT, TLATELOLCO IS MORE STRINGENT THAN NPT, IN THAT IT STIPULATES USE OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL AND FACILITIES "EXCLUSIVELY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES." PRESUMABLY, THIS WOULD PRECLUDE, FOR EXAMPLE, USE OR DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR-POWERED SUBMARINE. HOWEVER, DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES IS NOT RPT NOT EXPLICITLY PROSCRIBED IN TLATELOLCO; INDEED, ARTICLE 18 HAS BEEN READ BY AT LEAST ONE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRY (BRAZIL) AS PERMITTING DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH DEVICES "FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES." US HAS INTERPRETED TLATELOLCO AS PRECLUDING DEVELOPMENT OF ALL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES.

5. NON-NUCLEAR-WEAPONS STATES PARTIES TO NPT, ON OTHER HAND, EXPRESSLY GIVE UP RIGHT TO DEVELOPING NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES AND THIS SELF-DENIAL IS THE CRUX OF THE CONCEPT OF NON-PROLIFERATION. IF CHILEANS WISH US TO BELIEVE THAT CHILE HAS NO INTENTIONS DEVELOPING SUCH DEVICES (PARA 5, REF A) MOST CONVINCING STEP GOC COULD TAKE WOULD BE RATIFICATION OF NPT. IF CHILE NOT PREPARED TO DO SO, AS CHILEANS STATE, CONVINCING ALTERNATIVE COURSE WOULD BE FOR CHILE TO CONCLUDE A SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT.

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MENT WITH AGENCY--AS PANAMA, ALSO A NON-PARTY TO NPT, HAS DONE--SUBMITTING ALL PEACEFUL NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES TO AGENCY SAFEGUARDS.PORTER

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